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MR. Borden has completed his task as a cabinet builder. He has succeeded in enlisting the services of a fairly strong body of men, if their standing as individuals is alone considered. How well they will work together is another matter. The new premier's chief difficulty has undoubtedly been that of reconciling the Nationalist sentiment of Quebec, which helped him to overthrow the Laurier administration with that of the mass of his supporters.

SOME of his influential followers would have had him pass over the French-Canadian element altogether. All of the Conservative or Nationalist members representing this have adopted a view on the naval question which stands at the opposite extreme from Mr. Borden's own attitude. There was no need to make peace with them, the Conservative majority being sufficiently large to keep the government in power regardless of how the twenty followers of Mr. Monk voted. Therefore the Ottawa Journal and the Hamilton Spectator were of the opinion that it would simply be looking for trouble to give them Cabinet representation.

"Mr. Borden's," said the Spectator, "is an ideal position, and he should take full advantage of it. There is no occasion for a plebiscite or a referendum on the navy question; there is need for a real navy policy for Canada, and the Spectator looks to Mr. Borden and his government to produce such a policy at the earliest possible moment. Mr. Monk may not like it as this Nationalist friends may object but they are, after all, only a meagre minority and, like all minorities, must yield to the will of the majority or move elsewhere."

THIS was plain enough talk from a Conservative newspaper that has for many years exerted a very strong influence in Ontario. But Mr. Borden is evidently determined to be the premier of the whole Canadian people, if at all possible.

He has never at any time left any doubt as to his desires in this respect. When many of his followers were making sectional appeals he has done everything that lay in his power to discourage them and now that he has come to take over the responsibilities of office he sets out to make his administration fully representative of the diverse interests that the population of the Dominion presents.

WHAT his success will be is impossible to forecast. It is to be hoped that it will exceed the expectations of the average man, for it would undoubtedly be a great misfortune if a party should hold the reins of power without giving official recognition to the oldest Canadians of all.

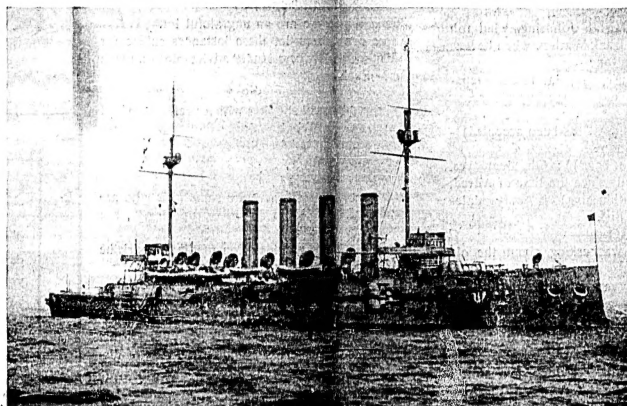
It was his ability to hold these warring elements together that made Sir John A. Macdonald the great national leader that he was, and it will be as he succeeds along the same lines that Mr. Borden will show himself a worthy successor to the old chieftain.

THE westerners in the Cabinet are not men of outstanding capacity for the higher forms of public service. Mr. Rogers has shown in Manitoba great skill as a party organizer. But he is not the type of politician one is particularly anxious to have brought to the front. Dr. Roche and Mr. Burrell are estimable gentlemen, but neither will ever set the world on fire. Senator Loughheed is hardly a strong popular figure and it is generally understood that he will before very long make way for Mr. Bennett, who is probably the biggest all-round man who will have a seat to the right of the Speaker. His failure to make a place in the Cabinet is a strange play of fate.

THE most interesting figure among the new ministers is Mr. W. T. White, who had never been prominent in politics up till the recent election when he stumped Ontario as a Liberal opposed to the government's trade policy. Now he steps into second most important position in the Cabinet, taking Mr. Foster's old portfolio, that of Finance. Mr. Foster taking up the work of that other veteran, Sir Richard Cartwright, as minister of Trade and Commerce.

Mr. White has for some years been a well-known figure in the life of Toronto. He has been recognized as an exceedingly brainy young man who has made

What is to Become of Canada's Navy?



The question is soon to be an uppermost one in the politics of the Dominion. The "Niobe," pictured above, which is the most important part of the country's naval equipment, is reported in a bad way. It has been lying at Clarke's Harbour on the Nova Scotia coast since the accident which overtook it during the summer, and fears are expressed that it may have to be beached.

his way to wealth and prominence very rapidly through the establishment of close connections with some of the financial magnates of the city, who are always on the lookout for men of outstanding ability to direct their various enterprises. He is even said to be in the millionaire class himself now.

Fifteen years he was a law student, who had had and was still having a very hard row to hoe. The university men of those days knew something of the efforts that had been necessary to put himself through college and law school. They looked for large things from him but they hardly expected that he would soon reach the remarkable position in the life of the country that he now occupies. He is the nearest approach to Dick Whittington that we have yet developed in Canada.

MR. White has a great chance. What use will he make of it? The worst thing that can be said against him is that he is unquestionably the nominee of those with large privileges to protect, through his association with whom he has been brought to the front. Will he be content to do their bidding? If he does the place which he will make for himself will not be of much account in the annals of genuine progress. If he does not, he will of course be accused of turning on those who had made him. How he avails himself of his opportunity will be worth watching.

ONE of the most discouraging things in connection with all politics is the difficulty which men inspired by high ideals, who wish to further the interests of the people as a whole and the "under-dog" in particular, have in making their way to the front.

If they have ability and are willing to make themselves the tools of those who take part in politics to serve their own private interests, they can get along with fair rapidity. But it is a long and an arduous career for those who refuse to bow the knee to Baal.

The hope of the country is in the rise of those who have the means to devote themselves to public causes and the ability to advance these. There are such men in the Old Land and it is to be hoped that the day is not far distant when they will be fairly numerous on this continent.

THE death took place in England, the other day, of a politician of this type, one of a group of men whose single-minded devotion to public duty fills one with a new hope for the cause of good government under democratic conditions. I refer to Lord James of Hereford, better known as Sir Henry James. He rose from obscurity to a posi-

tion of eminence at the bar solely by his own ability. Entering public life, his whole career was characterized by an adherence to principle which no one could ever seriously question.

London Truth, which as all who are in the habit of reading it know, whatever its other defects, has shown itself worthy of its name, and passes judgments on public men without any regard to party or other exigencies, had this to say of the great lawyer and parliamentarian at the time of his death in August last:

"What pre-eminently distinguished Lord James was his independence of character, his straightforwardness, and his incapability of departing by a hair's breadth from what he held to be the right line. Perhaps he shone the more in this respect for being a lawyer. Perhaps it may have been the easier for him because he was a bachelor, with no one but himself to think of. The episode for which he will always deserve to be remembered was his renunciation of the Woolsack when he severed himself from Mr. Gladstone over the Home Rule question; but this incident was only in keeping with the entire course of his career, both at the Bar and in Parliament.

"Lord James' secession in 1886 was inevitable, for he was essentially a Whig, and a man of cautious temperament—cast in much the same political mould as the late Duke of Devonshire. But though he ultimately gravitated with his fellow seceders into a Unionist Cabinet, he retained his fixity of principle and independence of judgment to the last. He stood out strenuously against the Tariff Reform movement, and he was one of the few Unionist peers who had the sense and courage to oppose the rejection of the Budget in 1909. At the same time, his high standard of conduct did not prevent his being a thorough man of the world. He had little in common with the goody-goody school of lawyers which produced some of his eminent contemporaries. He was fond of society, enjoyed life, took a keen interest in sport, and shone as a host, and he was honored with the friendship of King Edward—a fact which speaks volumes. In short, he was in all the relations of life a consummate gentleman as well as a very able man.

It is a fine thing, at the close of a long life, to have such judgment passed on the manner in which great gifts have been utilized. It should serve as a splendid inspiration to many a young man who still has his career to make.

THE reference to the fact that Lord James was a bachelor revives a not unfamiliar speculation. Does the man who cherishes a great ambition do well to remain unmarried? We recall

how Kipling puts it:

"Wherefore, all ye that be holpen and staid,
Staid by a friend in the hour of toll,
Sing the heretical song I have made,
His be the labor, and thine be the spoil.
Win by his aid, and his aid disown;
He travels the fastest who travels alone."

There is no question that many have been held back in the careers that they mapped out for themselves by family responsibilities that have limited their freedom of action. Many a man is abused for pursuing a certain course, when he is forced into it by considerations of the comfort of those dependent upon him. It is a pretty theory that a person will always come out on top in a material way by steadily adhering to principle. But like most pretty theories it does not work out well in the majority of cases.

That is why it is always a good thing for a person who wishes to accomplish something big in a public way to be independent to a very large extent of the necessity of looking to the favor of others for his bread and butter.

THE fair-weather Liberals are deserting the party each week in larger numbers. The latest to eschew the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier is La Presse, the newspaper with the largest circulation in the province of Quebec, which was almost fanatical in the devotion to the Liberal chief during his days of power. The proprietor the other day declared that Sir Wilfrid was absolutely finished as a political leader, and could never be revived.

What has happened except that he has lost office? There are many whom he strikes as an infinitely more admirable figure to follow now that he has no plums to hand out and can appeal simply because of the ideas that he stands for than he was when he was surrounded by the rapacious crew that with political conditions as they are in this country must always gather around the head of a predominant party.

The Toronto Globe put the situation admirably. The other day, when in appealing to its young readers to take an active interest in politics, it said:

"Stripped of power and patronage, the Liberal party will no longer attract the element to whom public office is the supreme goal. But it will attract the increasingly large number of young Canadians who are proud of their native land, who are in politics for their country's good, and who have a keen desire to study public affairs that they may the better exercise their franchise as citizens."

THE reorganization meeting of the Young Liberals of Edmonton on Tuesday night showed the spirit that is the hope of any party. The various speakers emphasized the opportunity which was now open of fighting whole-heartedly for the historic principles of Liberalism.

Mr. McGeorge took strong ground in favor of a policy looking to steady elimination of the burdens of the tariff. He held that the Laurier government had fulfilled its pledges in this regard. It had not pledged itself to introduce free trade as it was in England, but to move in that direction.

There is no doubt that it started off with a real measure of tariff reform in the British preference. But it failed to follow that up in its latter years and the protected interests had too large a hold over its actions.

It may be said that the recent election result showed that it moved as fast as it could and remain in power. This depends on what you regard as responsible for its defeat. The Saturday News cannot see that that was a reverse for the cause of low tariff. It was a protest against the entering into negotiations with the United States and the stimulating of the hopes of the people of the republic that this country would ultimately be assimilated with their own.

If the Laurier administration had accompanied its reciprocity policy by a further increase in the British preference, it would have done a great deal towards neutralizing the feeling that its dealings with Mr. Taft had created.

Mr. Bramley-Moore's speech was worthy of special attention. He declared that he was a devotee of the cult of independence in political thought and that the young men of the party had a great mission to perform in the initiation of progressive politics. What lends especial point to his observations is that he himself as a member of the Legislature has ca-

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Mr. Johnston: Because, sah, dat rascal's rep-tashun for veracity made dat change imperative.

He (wondering if his rival has been accepted) - Are both your rings heirlooms?

She (concealing the hand): Oh, dear, yes. One has been in the family since the time of Alfred, but the other is newer, (blushing), it only dates from the conquest--TH-Bits.

A former resident was asking about the old town.

"I understand they have a curfew law out there now," he said.

"No," his informant answered, "they did have one, but they have abandoned it."

"What was the matter?"

"Well, the bell rang at 9 o'clock, and almost everybody complained that it woke them up!"

"Young man, have you made any preparation for the rainy day?"

"Oh, yes," replied the son of the prominent millionaire, "In addition to my roadster I have a corking good limousine that will easily hold six girls."

The Bouncer: "I say old man, I wish you'd make a point of being in this evening. I --ah, want to see you about marrying one of your girls."

The Major: "With pleasure. Which do you want. The cook, or the housemaid--What?"

WHEN Grant was President, a delegation went to Washington to see about getting an appropriation for dredging a certain stream. They called on the President and tried to interest him in the plan.

"Let's see," said Grant reflectively, "didn't I cross that stream in such and such a campaign, just before we fought such and such a battle?"

"You certainly did, Mr. President," said the spokesman of the delegation, hopefully.

The President was hopeful for a moment. Then he said:

"I remember that stream; but I think you're going the wrong way about to improve it. Why don't you macadamize it?"

"During the days of the gold fever in California," said an old captain, "our ship was so crowded

that you could hardly get a place to sleep. "Captain," said a man when we were three days out, "I have just got to have some place to sleep." "Where have you been sleeping?" I asked. "I have been sleeping on a sick man, the passenger said, "but he's getting better now."

ACCORDING to newspapers and magazines, England is jealous of us. Germany doesn't like us.

France is suspicious of us. Japan is actually preparing to fight us.

Canada thinks we are going to kidnap her.

Mexico feels that we want to mortgage her resources and then foreclose the mortgage.

Spain positively detests us.

Cuba thinks we are a fresh lot of A-lecks.

Chile secretly buys battleships to sell to other nations who want to lick us.

Russia thinks we are an ungrateful lot.

There are others--let these instances suffice for Will the muckrakers kindly advise--does anyone love us?--Puck.

"My goodness!" she says with a pretty scowl, "I think a girl would feel dreadfully foolish if she proposed to a man."

"I should think so, too," replied the diffident youth.

"But then I suppose there are some girls who are just simply compelled to do the proposing," she sighs.

After an hour's consideration of that remark he realizes what she really means.

I was in Boston. They were having a difference.

"After careful cogitation," said he, "I am firmly convinced that I displayed a deplorable lack of discernment in choosing you as the partner of my joys and sorrows."

"You are correct," said she, "and I am sure that I must have been suffering under a mental aberration to have given an affirmative answer to your impassioned pleading."

"I have realized," said Bartholomew, the 4-year-old progeny, as he stepped from the nursery, "I have realized for several years that my parental affiliations were uncongenial, I might almost say distasteful. But I have deemed it my duty to continue as 'the tie that binds.' Now I must insist that unless you show to each other the courtesies due to my immediate ancestors I shall be forced to repudiate my relationship."

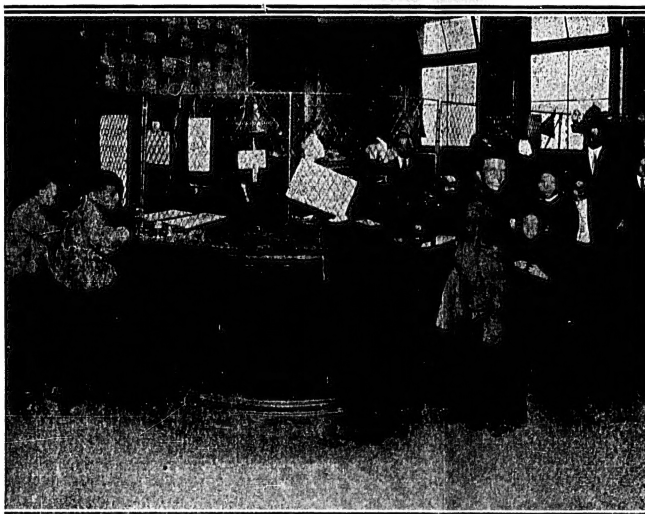
They embraced. Again a little child had won.

A lady had a servant who was an excellent girl but had one fault--her face was always dirty. Wishing to convey a gentle hint, the mistress said--

"Do you know, Jane, it is said that if you wash the face every day in hot soapy water it will make you beautiful?"

"Will it?" returned Jane. "Then it's a wonder you never tried it, ma'am."

Edmonton afternoon tea lovers will read with pleasure, that a positively swell tea parlor is to be opened this month. This new enterprise will open at 619 Fourth street, and judging from the plans of architecture will be a "stunner." Particulars of this new enterprise will be given later when the date of opening will be announced.



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Mr. J. P. Fitzgerald makes a spirited reply to the article by Mr. E. R. Patterson in the Canadian Courier, denouncing baseball, an extract from which was published in this column last week. Mr. Fitzgerald writes:

"That old cry of professionalism, 'gnawing like a vulture at its very heart,' looks very well in print. Clean, open professionalism is decent. Can as much be said of a great part of the species of amateurism that stalks through the land? You can't find a tennis meet at which stars are not imported to add interest. Are they real amateurs?"

"The ideal condition is, of course, to have the public play its own games. But there is more than that in our modern sport. It is also an entertainment, something to take a man out of himself, to forget his business cares and throw himself into the fray. The fan does speak his thoughts aloud and the fact that he does abuse the umpire and the players is scarcely a fault of the game surely. Let him abuse. It only indicates how far away from his cares and worries he is. That is reason enough for the existence of professional baseball."

"Nobody ever accused a baseball player of crookedness; few professionals are ever panned for indifference in their work. They play to win first and to draw salary secondarily."

"It may be new for Mr. Patterson to learn that few ball players care to represent their home towns. The reasons are obvious. There are enough Canadians playing the game to give Toronto a first-class team. What good purpose would that serve? Your amateurs are bought and sold, too, Mr. Patterson, and without the same legitimate purpose. Evidently Mr. Patterson is not very familiar with baseball conditions and nothing further need be said on this aspect of the subject."

"Baseball is a business enterprise. You must have a winner to make it pay. It is a common fault, this hankering after gates. Professionalism has no corner on this market."

"The public is neither duped nor blinded. They know exactly that the best players are sought to win primarily and because they win to attract the public. Because they don't look upon baseball as an 'acro-

batic performance," because they adopt these players as their own entering into the game as heartily and as completely as though their own honour and the reputation of their city depended upon the success of the home team is reason enough for the existence of professional baseball. They are a part of the game, and are concerned in it as much as the players or owners. That is where baseball and lacrosse and Rugby football have distanced cricket and the other games in this country. There is no flim-flamming or swindling in baseball, and Mr. Patterson has chosen a most unfortunate tack to sail on. He waxes eloquent over the fancied wrong done the public, where there is no such thing, and the first to cast such an aspersion back in his face would be the public he takes it upon himself to defend from these three-shellers."

THE Calgary Albertan the other day published two very interesting photos, those of Rugby teams representing Edmonton and Calgary in 1892. Four years ago the game was quite dead in Alberta, so it is surprising to learn that so early an attempt was made to establish it. The Edmonton team consisted of A. Pattison, R. McDonald, Campbell Young, H. Edmiston, C. Cunningham, W. Wilkie, A. McLean, F. Adamson, R. Hardisty, F. McKie, E. Raymer, L. Freine W. Edmiston, J. C. Bremner, W. Fielders and L. Adamson.

But a few of these are with us now. Several have passed the great beyond. Others have moved away. Mr. Campbell Young is still taking a very active interest in the game as a member of the executive of the Edmonton club.

AJOR Wooley-Dodd contributes this sketch:

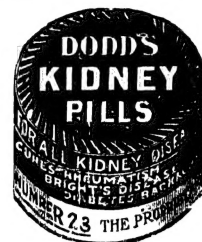
As one passes the old general hospital and sees all the rows of houses, it seems hard to realize that only a few years ago it was all open ground and that every fall and spring we used to play football there.

In those days there was a strong detachment of mounted police quartered at the barracks, and every favorable afternoon we used to play a good old "rugger" game against them. I think that it was in 1889 that we organized the Country team, many of the players coming from as far out as Millarville and although we had some very good players on our side, I am afraid we nearly always were beaten, as we had not the time nor the same opportunity of practicing as the police had. However, this did not worry us much, as the games were good and clean, and generally ended up with a smoker in the evening.

Soon after the line to Edmonton was opened, we received a challenge from the Edmonton team, which we gladly accepted.

The Country team and the police were the only

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Music and Drama

NORDICA AT REHEARSAL

"I never realized until last spring," said a well-known patron of music in New York, "how much personal magnetism and charm had to do with the real success of a famous artist until I had the privilege of seeing and hearing Mme. Lillian Nordica at a rehearsal with the New York Symphony Orchestra last May.

"This beautiful, gracious woman looking in her street gown of quiet elegance as much the grand dame as she does a queen on the operatic and concert stage, was going over the score of 'Norma,' from which she was to sing the 'Casta Diva,' and with the infinite tact that is hers in a marked degree and the delicacy and appreciation of the cultivated musicians who comprise the members of this splendid orchestra, she was able to suggest certain things she desired in their accompaniment of her aria, without giving the least offense or arousing the slightest antagonism.

"The irresistible sweetness of her smile and the flashes of dramatic intensity that would burst forth in spite of herself swept everything before her, and to a man they gazed at her with adoring eyes. One could readily see wherein this magnificent woman, of whom America may well be proud, had won the hearts of music lovers and her contemporaries the world over. There were none of the idiosyncrasies nor brusqueness of manner combined with an utter disregard for the feelings of others which are too often met with among those who have reached the pinnacle of success. On the contrary everyone present carried away the memory of a lovely and lovable woman whom the gods had dowered with all the gifts and graces within their bestowal."

Nordica sings one night at the Empire Theatre, Wed, Nov. 1st.

THE TERZETTO BUFFO

Brilliant Travesty on Grand Opera in "Madame Sherry."

New York simply went wild over the "Terzetto Buffo," the brilliant musical travesty on the famous concerted numbers of grand opera, which is one of the many bright spots in the score provided for "Madame Sherry," by Karl Hoschna. Accepted seriously this number would not be much unlike the sextette in "Lucia" or the quartette in "Rigoletto," but following the amusing situations in Madame Sherry, and rendered by the cleverly drawn comedy characters in the piece it becomes as hilariously funny as it is fascinating musically. And the beauty of this number, as with all other music in "Madame Sherry," is that it fits perfectly into the plot of the play, and is a plausible outcome of the complications in which the characters find themselves at the close of the second act. Theophilus Sherry, the low comedy character in the piece, has been led to believe that his giddy nephew is married and the possessor of a well regulated family, and is naturally bewildered at the unconventional behaviour of his ready-made wife and children, borrowed for the occasion. To him their actions spell a terrible domestic tragedy, while to the audience the situation is screamingly funny. This peculiar mix-up, handled in clever style as to lyrics by Otto Hauerbach, and orchestrated with grand opera effect by Karl Hoschna, embodies a combination of the sublime and the ridiculous.

"Madame Sherry" comes to the Empire Theatre for a 3-nights' engagement, starting Monday, Oct. 16th.

There is no question that the programme given by Miss Alice Nielsen and her associates in the Thistle rink on Friday last, was the most genuinely artistic venture of its kind that has ever been attempted in Edmonton. Miss Nielsen is in the very height of her career and with her was at least one man who stands in the forefront of the world of grand opera.

Riccardo Martin is frequently spoken of as the most likely successor to the place which Caruso has filled. There is much about him to remind one of the greatest tenor of our time. The purity and fullness of his tone production and the fervor with which he throws himself into his operatic work make him a marked man. He showed to very much better advantage in the spirited "Tosca" number than in the suite of the second part of the programme.

Senor Mardones came to us with no great advance notices, but his solos proved one of the chief delights of the evening. A more bass voice combining such purity and power is seldom heard. His singing of the serenade from "Faust" was superb. Signor Fornari gave no little pleasure. He is a sprightly actor and his "Barber of Seville," so long a favorite with travelling grand opera soloists, was warmly received.

Miss Swartz had the Habanera solo from Carmen, to which she did full justice.

As to Miss Nielsen herself, she more than carried out all that was expected of her. It is a very ordinary description of a soprano voice to say that it is bird-like. It can be truly applied in Miss Nielsen's case. Vocal gymnastics are not in her line. She sings with the real dramatic intensity and meaning. In the "Madame Butterfly" solo and in the duet from the same opera with Mr. Martin she was at her best. That last note in the aria haunts one still. But the suite of English songs in the last half was admirably done.

The programme concluded with the ever-beautiful sextette from Lucia. It was a superb finish to an evening which will always be a most delightful memory.

THE TRIAL BY PORTAGE

THERE are many occasions that "try men's souls"; perhaps as efficient a test as any is that which arises when city men have to meet the emergencies of the woods. In "The Log of the North Shore Club," Kirkland B. Alexander tells how he and "Jim" and "Fred" and the Englishman and the rest of the party, set down in the wilderness on the shores of Lake Supérieur, met the emergencies that arose out of the necessity of carrying canoes, provisions, and so forth, over the "tote-road" from stream to stream. They began with "blatant confidence and premature optimism."

"Say, this trip isn't so tough, after all," we told one another. "Just enough walking and portaging to keep us in shape!"

And George heard all that tenderfoot talk and grinned sardonically.

George said that the next portage was "quite leetle" was "quite leetle walk—yes—mebbe two mile and a half, sure, 'bout dat."

We took to the tote-road again. His lordship felt ambitious. His luncheon on the shore of the little lake had nourished him, and his heart was singing. He wanted to prove to us—and particularly to George Andre—that a blooming aborigine had nothing to show him. He picked out the sack of potatoes for that portage.

Potatoes in bulk stimulate neither the memory nor the imagination. There is no poetry, no inspiration, no reserve intellectual force, no response to devotion—nothing but coarse, back-breaking, soul-revolting weight in a sack of potatoes. We wondered at his lordship's taste when he selected potatoes and left cameras and rod-cases. But away he went, blithely, on that two-and-a-half-mile portage.

Fred took a pack that eclipsed Fred's physical self, and went through with it, too. George Billy T., Tommie and Pete had toted the canoe two miles, where the trail breaks off from the tote-road, dropped them, and came back for another load.

I won't say what I carried. The first mile I was ashamed of it and glad I was last. Then I began thinking of the others' selfishness in giving me all the hard work; until, at a mile and a half I was just about the shiningest little martyr that ever wandered the woodland without harp or halo.

But then I overlooked his lordship. He was sitting on his sack of potatoes, his face buried in his hands. I spoke lightly, cheerily, and he gasped something through his fingers.

I blundered then. I offered to carry that sack of potatoes—rather, to try to carry that sack of potatoes—for a while. What I received was what I deserved.

His lordship rose, flung the potatoes upon his poor tousel, steaming head, and staggered off without another word.

I had blurted out my suspicion that his lordship was a tenderfoot, a not even particularly "game" tenderfoot. Then and there I began making over my estimate—because throughout that trip whenever there was a man's work, or two men's work, to be done, his lordship was camping right on the job, every minute.

It simply goes to show that an expensive camping toilet and waxed mustaches can, and often do, disguise the kind of stuff of which wilderness friendships and enduring admiration are made.

The Simile.

A minister who, though clever, was notoriously hesitating in his style of delivery, was having a cup of tea with one of the old spinsters connected with his congregation.

"Your tea-pot, Miss Kennedy, do-es no-t run well," he remarked, as the hostess poured out the tea.

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clock," remarked the man. "What

kind do you call it?"

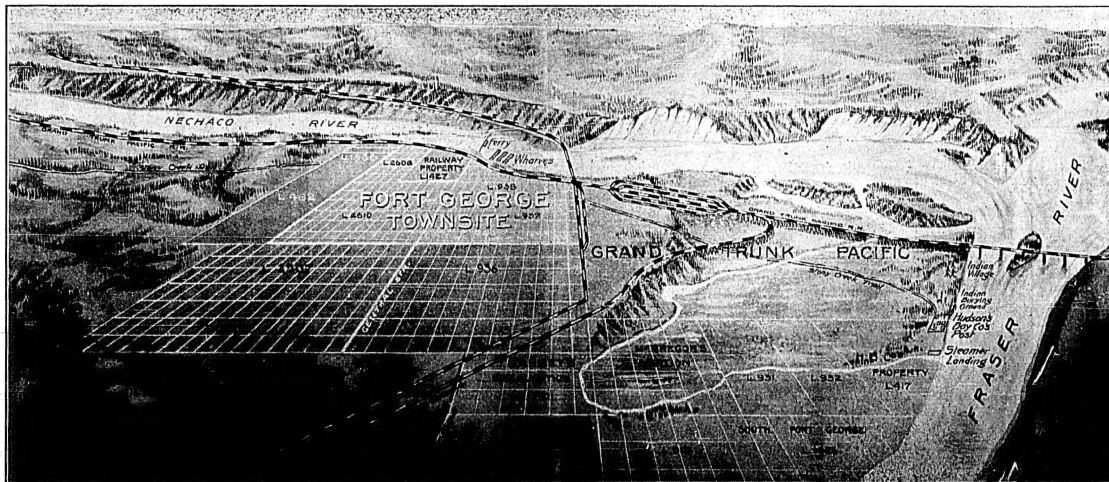
"A spring lever chronometer,"
was the reply, "and it will run for
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"A very long time!" exclaimed
the man. "How long," he added
quizzically, "do you suppose it
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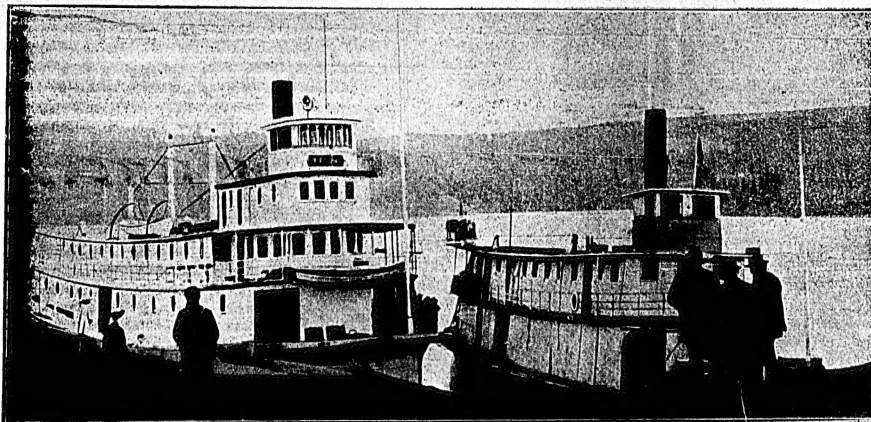
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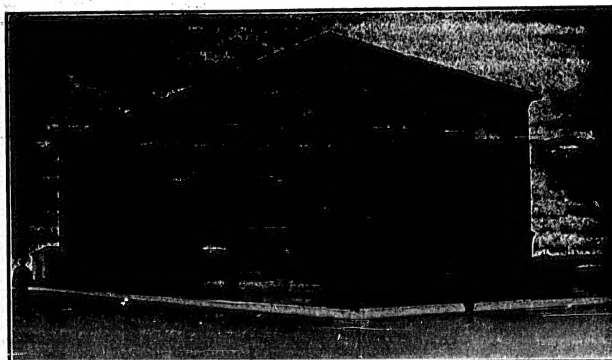
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But the street lamps, lone and strange
Turned in a still, sea-change,
Over the ghostly, ghostly street,
I heard the voices passing sweet,
Pipes of passage!

Wings of the summer forth,
And the silent throats of the north,
Southward, southward, away,
Peopling the ghostly gray,
Over the city's sleep they ran,
The innumerable caravan,
Pipes of passage!

Over drowsy heads,
Death beds and bridal beds,
Over our human hush,
Swallow and sparrow and thrush,
Over our life, if life be sleep,
Hear my voyagers laugh and weep,
Pipes of passage!

-- Joseph Russell Taylor.

Our Common Lot.

I HAVE a theory--indeed I have a thousand--that a man or woman talks and writes at his best only when he or she is discussing the thing that for the moment, occupies his or her heart. A great many of you don't agree with me, or say you don't. My relatives, in their letters, laughingly assure me that so long as I edit the Mirror, I need not bother to correspond with them personally. They know all that concerns me from reading the Saturday News.

"Very well," I answer. I would sooner take a whipping than write a letter, anyway, and if I write of life's trivial round as I find it, ten to one,--for I am only a Mrs. Buttons, as most of you are only other Mrs. Buttonses,-- I am talking of something that at one period or another of your life, has concerned you quite as deeply. The longer one lives the commonness of things impresses one more. The discouragements, the little joys, the jealousies, the heart-breaks! Do not King and Peasant, share the mall alike? That idea of the Lord having set aside a certain number of favored persons is all foolishness. If you investigate, you will find --what have: that some men and women are better actors than others. That is all. Don't be taken in.

The Kingdom of Heaven is within you. It is yours for the taking--or making. You gain it by meeting the tedium of ordinary living, sweetly. Or lose it by being discontented and cranky.

A few years ago I remember my weekly striving to find unhackneyed themes to write about. It took me a long time to discover that the merest incidents, the every-day incidents and the most common thoughts, the commonplace principles and commonplace maxims of contemporary life were the subjects which readers who were honest, acknowledged, really interested them.

To-day, as never before, is the day of common man; everything is evening up.

Bishop Creighton, writing of an interview he had with the Czar, makes the statement, that he really felt "quite casual about it." The awful awe and majesty of kings no longer exists. It is how they quit themselves as men that counts. The world's work is performed by the average man and woman, and Lords as well as Commons to-day quote Keats' immortal doctrine, that one should do only those things which all may do.

Lincoln said that God must love the common people, because he made so many of them. If because of our number we all fail to get solo parts, and our vanity is hurt thereby, we can always remember that soloists have ever been the mark for carping critics to aim their shafts at, while in the big hall-lullah chorus of the great common people, our little faults of omission and commission are drowned and lost sight of. I am not holding a brief for a lower level, for yesterday's ideal, and for a burying of the individual; but I am defending my position as

a writer of the commonplace, even if in so doing it is, in a sense, personal.

The tendency to discard the great commonplaces which govern our days; the frantic search for examples of luxury or of consecration in far-off centuries and amid conditions of life widely different from our own, and our blindness in ignoring the spirituality of the matter-of-fact, is my plea for a column primarily intended for the common people.

It is the real, every-day human life that most of us live, and the more carefully we study it, the more narrowly we watch it, the more worthy it appears of our regard, and the more competent to fill the unrelenting demand of our common souls.

A Song Of The Thankful Time

(By Miriam S. Clark)

This is a song of the Thankful-Time;
Hear, little child in the light,
I am the fairy of growing things,
Plenty and Gladness beneath my wings,
I sing while the fire is bright.
I'll sing you a song of the Thankful-Time,
So listen, dear drowsy, and hear my rime!
I am the Fairy of warmth and light;
I am the fairy of rain;
I am the spirit who watches true
In fog or shadow or sun or dew,
Till the meadows grow ripe again;
Singing forever, in every clime,
My song of hope for the Thankful-Time.

The trees in the orchard were red, little child,
The meadows were gold with the wheat;
All the long summer I watched them grow,
Bringing them gladness in ways I know
To make them most perfectly sweet.
Now they are yours, little child, little king,
With their sunshine, their goodness, their every-thing.

This was my part of the Thankful Time;
I sing it, and go my way.
Dear little drowsy, before you sleep,
Here where the shadows are warm and deep.
Look out to your stars and say:
"I am glad for home, I am glad for love,
I am glad for the wide, kind sky above,
I am glad for the plenty in any clime,
In my heart is the spirit of Thankful-Time!"

A little brown bird sitting just outside my window this morning was filling the heavenly October air with a gay little song.

"The finest October on record," he was saying, "Like spring, only more so. I never recollect anything like it." At least that is what the words of his song sounded like. You never can hear the words of songs properly, but as everyone else was saying that sort of thing I presume he was joining in the general chorus.

After the late cold snap, these exquisite days following have come in the nature of a benediction. Women have left their household cares and hurried out to drink in the delight of them. Children dancing along to school have paused to go for a frisk in the leaves, to pick a stray flower that has weathered the late summer frosts, to push each other and chase each other, and otherwise kick up their saucy heels with the pure joy of living. Every baby in town is out in its pinkest bows and most distracting new bonnet. The streets are lined with perambulators, and late afternoon finds those vago-bonds who love the road and the woods and tall off fields, tramping along, whistling, with the joy and delight of an adventure ahead. For what car match a day in the autumn woods, or even the joy of watching the leaves in the vacant lot next door to you?

Leaves have souls. Everybody knows that over in Ireland when the country folk see them whirling and eddying along the road they say, "God bless them," for they know they are the fairies hastening off to a frolic.

Some say they are the ghosts of people. I don't know, but I have seen one tap on a window and I have sat for hours and watched them march themselves into companies and sweep along a street as if they had journeys to go, and destination: of which we reckoned not. And I have seen them tortured and whisked about. Have heard their

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murmuring among themselves so sadly, so mysteriously, as if they were mourning for someone recently departed. And you, have you not seen them cover unsightly things and form warm blankets for the flowers and do a thousand sweet acts of charity that only those with souls would dream of performing?

I never get over the wonder of them, for I have found wraiths of them of late, late when winter is on or spring just come, and they have skeletons and little cob-webby skirts, such as Arthur Rackham shows you the fairies weaving into tapestries in dear and unforgettable Peter Pan.

And some of them are radiant souls who go out in a blaze of glory. It's mostly the bush leaves out west—and others are pale yellow ghosts. And the first are the adventurous brilliant young spirits who die early in life with the bloom and the joy of it unlearned. The drab ones, and the faded-out ones, are the tired souls who are glad to go.

Over against my board fence is a bush of the crimson fellows; so joyous, so exquisite, I pray that when they depart, it may be in the night—quickly—with the bloom, and the flush and the joy of living still on them. As some in my human experience I have known. No heel-taps, no worn-out dreams.

No one, these mid-October days, could have any red blood in his veins and remain uninfluenced by the delight of them. And the social whirl has been gayer and shooting parties or any other old excuse for getting one out into the open, more frequent, since the golden glow of an exquisite autumn has settled down on the land.

The younger daughter of Charles Dickens, Mrs. Kate Perugini, tells in the Pall Mall Magazine how she came to know the great man who was so long a friend of her father. In a paper that is full of interest, she tells of the misunderstanding that came between Thackeray and Dickens. She recounts a conversation she had with Thackeray on the subject:

One day while paying me a visit he suddenly spoke: "It is ridiculous that your father and I should be placed in a position of positive enmity towards one another."

"It is quite ridiculous," said I, with emphasis. "How can a reconciliation be brought about?" said he.

"Indeed, I don't know—unless you were to—"

"Oh, you mean I should apologize," said Thackeray, turning quickly upon me.

"No, I don't mean that, exactly," said I, hesitatingly; "still—if you could say a few words—"

"You know he is more in the wrong than I am," said he.

"Even if that were so," I said, "he is more shy of speaking than you are, and perhaps he might know you would be nice to him. He cannot apologize, I fear."

"In that case there will be no reconciliation," said Thackeray decisively, looking at me severely through the glare of his glasses.

"I am very sorry," said I sadly.

There was a pause that lasted quite a long time. "And how do I know he would be nice to me?" mused Thackeray presently.

"Oh, I can answer for him," said I joyfully. "There is no need for me even to tell him what has passed between us, I shall not say a word. Try him, dear Mr. Thackeray, only try him, and you will see."

And later on Thackeray did try him, and came to our house with radiant face to tell me the result.

Thackeray's eyes were very kind as he said quite simply: "I met him at the Athenaeum Club and held out my hand, saying we had been foolish long enough—or words to that effect; your father grasped it very cordially—and we are friends again, thank God!"

Peggy

IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD

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two rugby teams in existence locally.

We left Calgary, however, two men short, but were fortunate enough to pick up two at Innisfail on the way up. It took all day to get there then, as the line was new and trains ran slowly, and as the C. and E. did not run a diner, all trains stopped for meals at Red Deer, where everybody had to rush to a hotel to eat.

We played at Edmonton on the H.B. section. Most of their team, however, came from Fort Saskatchewan. We had a ripping good match, followed in the evening by a dinner and a smoker which was attended by a number of old footballers from the surrounding district.

The following year the Calgary team made a second trip to the north.

On another occasion a picked team from the mounted police depot at Regina came up here and we had a three days' tournament. The Country vs. Depot, the Edmonton vs. Depot, and a picked team from E. Division and the Country vs. Depot. The Depot team, however, proved too strong for us, even with the pick of the two teams, but all the same we were good and fast.

About this time Calgary organized a rugby team, known as the Calgary Wanderers but they chose for their colors a horrible magenta jersey with the monogram, "C.W.F.C." in white. The club did not last long, however, as when the police force was reduced there was no other club to play against, as most of the country team had joined the Calgary club, and there were not sufficient players living here then to form a second club.

Although a good many of the old team still live in the neighborhood, most of them have drifted elsewhere. Among those who used to play in those days and who are still familiar faces on the street, I might mention Cappy Smart, Dr. J. B. O'Sullivan, A. Wolley-Dod, E. D. Adams, W. A. Newbolt, Lowndes, F. Pomery, F. H. Wolley-Dod and Dr. Sanson who was referee.

THE London Mirror is conducting an inquiry into the question, "Why do men use bad language in playing golf?" The curious thing is that golfers do not assail each other with violent language. When committing the offence the player has the air of reciting Hamlet's soliloquy on Death. Upon closer examination he is found to be denouncing the ball, the brassie, the bunker, the tee, the face of nature in general, the luck, or even himself and his personal defects. Usually the language takes the form of an expression of surprise that the will, design, and expectation of the golfer have not been carried into effect. That is what makes the offense so serious. The man is not quarrelling with another infallible man, but with the immutable laws of the universe, the decrees of fate, the forces that guide the planets in their paths through space.

WITH games like those of last Saturday there is no question of the place which the Rugby league will make for itself among

the lovers of real sport in the province. The match between the Calgary Tigers and the Edmonton Eskimos was the most keenly contested that has ever been seen here. At the call of time the score was a tie, five all, and an extra ten minutes failed to make any difference. In Calgary the Edmonton Y.M.C.A. team beat the Rough Riders by 11-1.

FOR genuine amateurism, public school sports stand in a class by themselves. The boy in the humblest grade nourishes championship ambitions. The result is that in every event there is such a crowded field that the judges have the time of their lives in trying to keep things straightened out. The backers of the different schools in the grand stand are wildly enthusiastic.

OUT at the exhibition grounds last week when the Edmonton school games were held some remarkably good work was done. R. Engler, the senior champion, established three new records, in the pole vault, the running hop step and jump, and the broad jump. Agar went 220 yards in 25.2 seconds, three fifths of a second better than the previous best. For the junior high school championship, A. Mitchell and G. Montgomery tied. L. Blades of Norwood, won the senior public school championship and E. Nagle, of Oliver, the junior.

The field day for the Strathcona schools was also uniformly successful. G. Lavell and O. Lynn tied for the senior championship, while Archie Basest won the junior.

The death of William Grant, sporting editor of the Calgary News Telegram, and formerly of the staff of the Edmonton Journal, has occasioned widespread regret. It occurred after a short illness from pneumonia.

The attention of the whole world of athletics will be centred during the next week or so on the great world's championship struggle between New York and Philadelphia. The way the Glants have been finishing in the National fills their admirers with strong hope as to the result. It would be a fine thing if Mathewson could come anywhere near duplicating his wonderful performance of six years ago. He has been coming back in fine style of late.



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Home and Society

Whether it be these glorious Autumn days which are making hostesses feel in excellent good humor with themselves, the number of visitors in town, or what, I don't know, but the past week has been the gayest on record thus far.

Both among the very young set, and the "marrieds," the pace has been a fast and furious one, when you consider how very early in the season it is, and the session not yet on.

I think everyone turned out to the beautiful Alice Neilsen concert on Friday last. Everyone, that is who had the price, and a love of music in their souls. With absolutely no exception, it was the finest song recital I have ever been privileged to listen to. Melba has been here, and left a happy memory behind her. But Miss Neilsen came to us a young radiant woman in all the perfect freshness of her power, and long after the great diva and her theatrical "Good-Bye" has faded out of memory, the exquisite rendering of the same, lovely song—how softly and tenderly, how regretfully it stole out to us—by another heavenly young voice will haunt us, and remain with us—oh always, always. It is only my own impression, but one it seemed to me was art-spelled with a capital A. And the other as the soul of the woman. You can't, you see, compare them, but West, until we are more steeped in Culture (Capital C again please). It seems to me the last will triumph.

The audience was a large and brilliant one, practically everyone wearing evening dress, and among them I noticed most of the well-known people in town. After the recital, there were a number of smart supper parties, Mrs. Sydney Woods being the hostess at one such affair, with Mr. Hulbert Footner, the young author, and his friend and fellow traveller Mr. Eager, of Savannah, Georgia, as the guests of honor. The other invitees were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Balmer Watt, and Mr. Jas. McDougall. The table was beautifully arranged, and afterwards Mrs. Bowers sang some charming songs.

On Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowers, whose guests Mr. Footner and Mr. Eager are, invited a few friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Biggar, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Henwood, Mr. and Mrs. Bowker, Miss Burl Marshall, Miss Frances Butterworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Balmer Watt in for supper to meet the same much-feted visitors.

On Tuesday, Mrs. D. J. MacNamara was the bright young hostess of a beautiful birthday luncheon, being the first entertaining she has done since occupying her newly decorated and very charming home. Covers were laid for nine, the invited guests being: Mrs. J. D. Harrison, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Charlesworth, Mrs. Edmiston, Mrs. Frank Sommerville, Mrs. Palmer Watt, Mrs. Heffernan, Mrs. Frederick Jamieson, and Miss Dorothy Sommerville.

Mrs. MacNamara wore a lovely white embroidered lingerie frock, over pale pink, and threaded with soft satin ribbons. The reception hall and drawing room, which are most artistically arranged and decorated, were fragrant and beautiful with quantities of roses and great golden 'mums, while the luncheon table was a literal garden of palest pink roses. In the centre, under a softly-shaded pink electricolier, was a cut glass bowl with a great shower of roses and fern. All over the handsome damask cloth were other loosely-scattered pink beauties and silver-filigree and crystal candlesticks held Dresden-shaded candle lights.

On October 27th Mrs. MacNamara is giving a dance for the younger set, when the polished floors and large rooms will make an ideal setting.

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TOURIST CARS FOR CHRISTMAS EXCURSIONS

The Canadian Northern Railway have inaugurated for their Royal Line of Steamers, a Tourist car service from this city which is entirely a new feature, and will prove a great convenience to those intending to go to Europe on the Christmas Excursions.

They will have through Tourist cars leaving here on the morning of November 25th, which will run through to Halifax without change. All passengers will be delivered to the steamer's side, which will sail on the night of November 29th. These cars are going to be run on a very fast schedule as will be noticed, leaving here on Saturday morning and reaching Halifax the following Wednesday night.

Particulars of the low excursion fares to Europe are now available and can be obtained from Mr. Jos. Madill, City Ticket Agent, Canadian Northern Railway, Edmonton, who also has a diagram for Tourist cars and can reserve place on the tourist cars and on the steamer for intending passengers. As these facilities will be taken advantage of by a great number of travellers, no time should be wasted in securing reservations.

JASPER'S NOTE BOOK

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ried his ideas into practice with rare courage. Though elected a Liberal, he has not hesitated to join hands with members of the opposing party when it was obvious that they were in the right. His single handed support of Mr. Bennett in several discussions at the last session of the Legislature was a new feature of political life in this country. The thoroughness with which he examines public questions and the utter freedom from party bias with which he forms his opinions in respect to them is illustrated in the admirable volume which he recently published dealing with the relations of the Dominion and the western provinces, which should be read by everyone who wishes to follow the public affairs of this part of the country intelligently. May his tribe increase.

Mr. Cross' reference to the situation in the coal mining industry went not a whit too far. We are bringing hundreds of thousands of people into this country each year and it is the duty of those entrusted with responsibilities of government to see to it that they can provide themselves with the ordinary necessities of life.

The conditions in the mining industry are a constant scandal. Trouble is never far distant. Four years ago there was great suffering all through these provinces on account of a long-continued strike. Now we are face to face with a much more serious situation than then. The demands of the consumers have largely increased and the mines have been tied up for a much longer period than on the previous occasion.

"It is the bounden duty of the Alberta government to solve this coal situation," said Mr. Cross. "If necessary by the government ownership and operation of the mines. This policy may be extreme, but it is not necessarily therefore improper. To my mind it is the only solution. If we are to have these same troubles from year to year the government is plainly not doing its duty. If my advice were accepted the people would own their own mines in two years, and be obtaining coal at cost prices."

Such a step would be extremely radical. But it is the only one that is open to a government if those to whom we look to afford us the fuel supply we require do not do so. We could not afford to allow our railways to lie idle because the companies operating them could not come to an agreement with their men. No more can we the mines. It is not as if only the companies and their employees were concerned. Their friction ties up the whole of our industrial and domestic life. The public interests must be supreme and there can be no dilly-dallying with so long continued a crisis.

Mr. Cross intimated that he stood firmly for a policy of opening up the country beyond Edmonton and making it tributary to this city. The manner in which this declaration was received indicated clearly how strongly those in the large gathering were impressed with the necessity for speedy action along these lines. Herein lies the most vital question that Edmonton is face to face with today and the man who keeps it to the fore may always depend on the strongest kind of popular support.

The executive of the club is a strong one and it undoubtedly has a very active season ahead of it. Mr. C. F. Race, the president, and Mr. G. H. May, the secretary, have shown their calibre as workers and are both particularly good choices for these important posts.

The Vancouver Province can't see any comparison between the Tecumsehs and the Minto cup holders. After the first match it said:

"Five goals does not represent the difference in the playing abilities of the two teams. The cup holders had it on the challengers in every department and, though Vancouver players were away if color and did not play in anything like the style which won for them over Westminster, they still shaped up far superior to the Eastlanders. They should have had more goals, but the players were so keen to gloat over their opponents that they dilly-dallied round and indulged in a lot of time-killing horse-play when they should have been running up a score.

In one department only did the Tecumsehs shine and in this they differed from both the challenging teams which essayed to take the cup from West—against a superior aggregation and yet they played their best from start to finish. They tried just as hard to score in the last quarter as they did in the first and this in spite of the fact that they must have known that they had no chance to win. The Tecumsehs proved the best road club in the National Lacrosse Union this past season and they lived up to their reputation on Saturday."

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Home and Society

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Mrs. and the Misses Davies will receive next Wednesday, at 265 Eleventh St., and in future on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Mr. Congdon of Ottawa, and late of the Yukon, is Mrs. Davies' guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison, accompanied by Miss Frances Butterfield, of Moscow, Idaho, returned from Mrs. Harrison's father's beautiful summer home at Cherry Bend, on Saturday.

Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison has issued cards of invitation to a tea this Saturday afternoon.

Cards of invitation to "The Assemblies of 1911-1912," have been issued. They are to be held in the Separate School Hall, at dates to be announced later, and replies are to be sent in to the Hon. Sec.-Treas. on or before Monday, Oct. 16th, Mr. Alan D. Harvey being this year's Secretary.

The subscriptions are, ladies \$5.00 and gentlemen the same. The committee is composed of the younger men, instead of last year's arrangement, the ladies having charge. It is composed of Mr. W. H. Barnes, Mr. D. L. Robinson, Mr. H. Dawson, Mr. K. W. Townshend, Mr. R. H. Douglas and Mr. J. M. Taylor.

The patronesses are Mrs. R. P. Barnes, Mrs. D. L. Scott, Mrs. Griesbach, Mrs. Duncan Smith, Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Swalsland, Mrs. Pardee and Mrs. Sydney Woods.

I hear that a great many who belonged last year, will not be present this. I said I hear, and am not in a position to know.

The dances were exceedingly popular last season, and no doubt with all the young brides and grooms to draw new members from, "The Assemblies" of 1911-12 will hold their own with those of the previous year.

Some Wise Bodies will tell you that it will be a younger set who will attend this year's dances, but—who really knows?

The members of the Edmonton Association of Graduate Nurses are giving an informal dance in the Separate School Hall on Friday, Oct. 20th, to which there will be an admission fee of \$1.50 a couple, and extra ladies 50c. The patronesses for the dance are Mrs. Chas. May, Mrs. W. A. Griesbach, and Mrs. G. H. Gowan.

The first meeting of the Edmonton Musical Club will be held in the Separate School Hall on Saturday, October 21st, at three o'clock, when the work for the coming year will be discussed.

It is the intention of the committee to make this year's programme a more ambitious and enjoyable one, than anything they have attempted up to the present.

Among other innovations the Club intend giving several song cycles. The first will be "The Persian Garden," a very beautiful arrangement for four solo voices. Those taking part will be: Mrs. McLean, nee Miss Alice Pinckston, soprano; Dr. Harwood, tenor; Mrs. Bowers, contralto, and Mr. Eaton, bass.

Later Tennyson's "Maud" will be presented. Other delightful programmes are being arranged, and it is being proposed that later in the season the Club may see their way clear to bringing some first class artists from outside to perform under their auspices. Last season's open concerts idea has been abolished, as many who would otherwise have joined as associate members, merely came to the open meetings. The executive have decided that in future attendance at the recitals, so far as ladies resident in the city is concerned, will be restricted to members of the club.

To ladies visiting in Edmonton, and introduced by a member, and gentlemen either in or out of the city, an admission fee of 25c. will be charged. Doubtless this is intended as an encouragement to the male persuasion to foster in them a love for good music. I half believe though that already they have more genuine love for it than most of the gentler sex.

Mrs. Cobbett is entertaining at the tea hour this Friday.

On Monday Mrs. de Ray Williams gave a jolly

tea-party in her bungalow in Strathcona in the C. P. R. quarters, when her husband, Col. Williams, who is engaged in work on the High Level Bridge, and also his staff, assisted her in doing the honors. Mrs. Williams wore a pretty white summer frock, and Mrs. Donald W. Macdonald and Mrs. Archie Ponton who presided at the tea table, were also gowned in dainty lingerie dresses.

The table was gay with lovely pink flowers on a lace centre, and some of those who went from this side of the river were Mrs. D. L. Scott and her daughters, Mrs. Burnham, Mrs. Duncan Smith, Mrs. MacMahon, Mrs. Jim Ponton, and the Misses Barnes, who assisted.

After tea and some delightful music furnished by the hosts, the guests trooped out to be initiated into the mysteries of bridge-building.

The staff of good-looking engineers proved most popular instructors. Later on I heard an old husband or two commenting on their wives' sudden interest in engineering, so am sure the party was a success.



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The union of the prima donna, known professionally as Emma Eames, and Emillo de Gogorza has set the College of Cardinals thinking. Both are Roman Catholics and both divorcees.

On Wednesday Mrs. Frank Sommerville gave a charming luncheon of eight covers, Mrs. Pardee, Mrs. Bowker, Miss Burt-Marshall, Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison, Mrs. Charlesworth and Miss Frances Butterfield being the invited guests. The table was most attractively done, with the lovely roses and Mrs. Sommerville wore a modish frock of brown polka-dot silk trimmed with beautiful Irish crochet lace.

Mrs. Duncan Marshall will not receive until the 2nd Friday in November.

The Misses Pope of Quebec arrived on Thursday to spend a fortnight at "Belton Lodge," the guests of Mrs. Cautley.

About the 23rd of October, Mrs. McPherson of Vancouver, formerly of Edmonton, is coming on a visit to Government House, Mrs. Cautley and several other friends.

Miss Bessie Scott was the hostess of a girls' tea on Wednesday, in favor of Miss Wilbridge of Belleville.

The same night Miss Emily Bown gave a Bridge for Miss McKenty of Lacombe.

Thursday was a busy afternoon, Mrs. Will-

iamson Taylor being the hostess of a Bridge Tea in the Cecil Hotel, and Mrs. Ghiselin entertaining at her home on Seventh St., between the hours of 4 and 6. A large number of guests went on from the Bridge to Mrs. Ghiselin's "tea."

As both events were so late in the week, I shall have to hold over my account of them until our next issue.

On Friday afternoon Mrs. Howard Douglas is entertaining three tables at Bridge. This also I shall have to hold over for next week's column.

Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison has chosen the 3rd Friday as her reception day this season.

Mrs. Jas. K. Cornwall will receive on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Mrs. Lewis of Orangeville, Ont., is visiting her niece, Mrs. C. W. Cross.

The Investor

The pessimistic statements that were made last week by Senator Melvin Jones, president of the Massey-Harris Co., in respect to the season's results in the West are very hard to understand. It is quite certain that in parts of Saskatchewan an early frost caught much of the grain and has affected the yield of that province materially. But large areas of the best grain have been harvested safely and reports from the most reliable sources are that the total yield is away in advance of the best previous years.

So far as Alberta is concerned, there is no question that an excellent showing will be made. One of the latest districts in the province was that of which Stettler is the centre. Last week John J. Barber, living near that town, threshed oats from forty-five acres which yielded one hundred bushels to the acre and weighed 52 pounds to the bushel.

So far as the Edmonton country is concerned, there is general unanimity that the year has been one of the best on record and the final crop returns are looked forward to with confidence.

The real estate market in Edmonton has during the past week entered decidedly interesting stage. The reservation close to the centre of the city of some three square miles of land by the Hudson's Bay Co. has had a profound effect on the city's development and it has been recognized all along that when the company finally decided to put the reserve on the market, values would be enormously influenced. At the first of the present year it was announced that strip lying immediately to the west of First street would be put on the market. This last week the intelligence has come that the whole reserve will be disposed of.

Surveys are being made now. The feature will be the laying out of two diagonal streets, across the entire property.

It has been believed all along that arrangements had been made with the C.P.R. by which it would have a site for large terminals in the western portion. If this ever was the idea, it has evidently been abandoned. But the railway must have large terminals somewhere. Where will they be? The general feeling is that the arrangement made some years ago with Strathcona will be carried out and that they will be found on the south bank of the river. There was a time, and not so long ago, when this might have caused some bitterness in Edmonton. The two municipalities might have bid against one another for the boon. Now that they are one place in name, as well in fact, all this is precluded.

The result of the Hudson's Bay announcement has been that First Street prices have received another large stimulus. Big advances from the Boulevard down took place within a few days.

An important deal, which was initiated a month ago, was brought to a head this week. The Canada Life Insurance Co. has bought from F. C. Lowes & Co., the northeast corner of First and Rice. There is 66 feet on First, and the price paid was \$1,300 a foot. As the property only extends 90 feet back on Rice, the price is a good one. It was purchased by the Lowes Co. last November for \$50,000, an advance of \$28,000 in less than a year. It is believed that the Canada Life intends to put up a large block on the corner next year.

THE coal mining industry in Edmonton and vicinity is exceedingly active as a result of the large demands that are being made by outside points. The price has advanced to five dollars per ton, the highest that it has ever reached. As there is no immediate prospect of the settlement of the strike in the south, and even if this could be brought about now, the supply that could be provided would be inadequate, the pressure on the industry locally is bound to continue very great.

EVERY day sees some party of travellers returning to the city from the country beyond, each telling of new wonders to be found there. Mr. Hulbert Footner, who has made no small reputation for himself as a novelist within the past year or so, has been spending the past week in Edmonton, after a trip to the west and north. He was accompanied by Mr. C. A. Eager of Baltimore. They covered an immense stretch of country, going through the Yellowhead and on to the headwaters of the Peace. They went down this great stream to Fort Vermilion and up the Hay River to Alexandra Falls, a splendid cataract, 135 feet in height, which must be considered one of the

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THE INVESTOR

great natural wonders of Canada. It had been very seldom visited before by white men.

Mr. R. C. W. Lett is back from a trip along the route of the G.T.P.

In the opinion of Mr. Lett, Mount Robson, the biggest mountain on the B.C. side, within a few miles of Jasper Park, should be included in the natural playground of Central British Columbia, for within a very few years this beautiful mountain district will be the mecca of mountain climbers and tourists. The mountain streams in this part of the district are almost overflowed with the best of fish, which makes that part of the country an angler's paradise.

Since the Grand Trunk Pacific surveys have been pushed through and vast areas of the finest and richest soil revealed to the explorers, the prospect for a very heavy traffic through the settlement of this part part of the country seem alone to justify the construction of the steel highway which is now nearing completion. Mineral and timber prospectors and land seekers are already flocking into this part of the territory.

The maximum grade of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway through this beautiful fertile country is only 26 feet to the mile, against 116 feet to the mile in other railroads. Such a condition of things should add greatly to the facilities for the shipping of the produce of the country to the markets of the Dominion. There are nearly 2,000,000 acres of rich agricultural land awaiting the settler to the east of Hazelton in the Bulkley, Endako and Nechaco valleys. The mineral resources of the mountainous regions around the Babine range are tremendous, and this part of the country is yet unprospected. Before many years have elapsed Mr. Lett thinks that large smelting furnaces will be in operation in this district owing to the many indications of minerals.

Mr. F. J. Crean of the Railway Land Branch of the department of the Interior returned to Edmonton this week with his party after spending two summers in exploration work in the north. He made his headquarters at Fort Smith.

Lewis Conebear of the Polson Iron Works, Toronto, who has been setting up a steamboat at Fort Resolution, says that there are at least five outcrops at McMurray drilling for oil, which the parties interested were all confident of striking shortly. If they were successful, railway transportation would be imperative. In that event it would be hard to say what the possibilities and future of that country would be.

It is said that the car shops to be erected by the C.P.R. at Calgary will employ about 2,000 skilled hands, so that they were well worth fighting for. Medicine Hat has taken the defeat well and declares that its future is not affected materially by the decision, that other industries have to come there to take advantage of its gas supply. However the start which the C.P.R. shops would have given it would have proven very useful. Undoubtedly the straightest kind of tips were given that the Hat would be chosen and on the basis of these some heavy real estate investments were made. It looks as if the company for some reason or other changed its original intentions.

Some thirty-five machinists are affected by the G.T.P. strike at the Edmonton shops.

A tri-weekly service has been started on the Vegreville branch of the C.N.R. The southern terminus of the line at present is Stettler.

The Duke of Sutherland and his party spent some days at his estate at Clyde, leaving for the south on Tuesday night.

The Montreal Herald has these editorial observations to make on the Duke's project:

His Grace the Duke of Sutherland, our newest Canadian immigrant, is going to have a very interesting time if the reports current concerning his in-

tentions for his vast estates in the West of Canada are anywhere near correct. His Grace is credited with the intention of establishing the tenant-system of farming of England upon a large scale in the virgin soil of Alberta, where he hopes to be free from "mob-rule" as exemplified in the last budget of the Asquith Government and from Socialism in the shocking desire of the tenant farmers of England to own their own lands.

It has been alleged as one of the most serious charges against the landlords of England as a class that they show a certain inability to read the signs of the times, to perceive changed conditions and to adapt themselves thereto. If the Duke of Sutherland is really under the impression that the tenant farming system of England can be duplicated in the West

Canada, he must surely be a singularly bad observer of conditions. In a country where land is still practically to be had for the asking, or upon such terms that any responsible man who is known to be willing to work can get it and pay for it out of his first few crops, ownership is at its very foundation of self-respect. The Westerner would as soon think of paying tithes to the local Anglican rector, or rendering military service to a feudal baron, as of paying a part of the product of his crop to another man for the privilege of raising it on a particular piece of land.

It may certainly be possible to bring tenants up from England, for emigration under such circumstances calls for less initiative and less accumulated savings and involves less risk and hardship to the emigrant than adventurous faring forth to seek free land on one's own account. In the same way the domestic service guilds are able to bring out a large number of girls yearly who would not come to Canada without the assurance of a dependent position to guarantee them a living. But the domestics, as many Canadians know to their cost, do not remain domestic; they marry, to the extent of about eighty per cent, and the rest go into factories and eventually perhaps marry likewise. They seek those forms of independence which are most fashionable among their class in Canada. And so it will be with the tenant farmers. As soon as they get the lay of the land, so to speak, they will do as they see everybody else doing, and take up land of their own. And his grace will be looking around for new tenants.

Now the deviation of an imported domestic from the path of domestic service is one thing, and not a very serious thing, involving nothing worse than one more visit to the employment office by her late mistress; but the deviation of a tenant farmer from the path of tenancy means that the farm lies idle until another tenant farmer takes his place. Besides which, a constant change of tenantry will be very bad for that relation of dignified paternalism towards his flock at which His Grace seems to aim, and which is so admirably adapted to keep their votes on the right side of politics and thus obviate the dangers of "mob rule." Even the practice of touching the cap will be imperilled, and we doubt if the cursey can ever be properly acclimatised in Canada. In a word, His Grace is up against a very puzzling proposition.

Mr. T. K. Dickenson, financial editor of the Montreal Herald, visited Edmonton this week. He is making a trip of investigation through the West.

Alex. Bond of Halifax, N.S., was in Edmonton this week looking over the city with a view to locating a branch of his breakfast food factory here.

Four-room additions will be made to the Alexander Taylor and the Mackay Avenue schools.

The Strathcona council is considering an extensive paving programme, which if carried out in its entirety, would include practically all the main travelled streets on that side of the river.

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HOME AND SOCIETY.

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Edmonton was visited during the week by a man who has played a large part in a faraway part of the Empire, Sir Andrew Fraser, former Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, who delivered an address at the First Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening that will not soon be forgotten by those who heard it. He brought home in striking fashion the immense problem that Britain is face to face with in the East, and the splendid results that it has attained. To the character of the Hindu and the fascination of life in the country he paid the strongest tribute.

Sir Andrew also spoke briefly at the Canadian Club luncheon at noon on the same day. An excellent address was given by Mr. F. C. Wade, K. C., of Vancouver in behalf of the movement being launched by the general organization of Canadian Clubs to have a monument erected to General Wolfe. The members pledged their support to the movement.

Another visitor of the week with a highly important mission was Dr. George D. Porter of Toronto, secretary of the Dominion Association for the prevention of tuberculosis. He was influential in having a strong movement launched for the establishment of sanatoria in the province for the proper treatment of the disease, so long dreaded, which has now been proven to be quite preventable if handled properly. The audience that Mr. Porter addressed on Tuesday night was most profoundly impressed with the need of taking action speedily along the lines that he indicated. A strong local association has been formed which deserves the warmest support both from individual citizens and public bodies.

Mr. A. G. Harrison has been appointed a member of the

Board of Governors of the University of Alberta.

The announcement of the death of Mr. W. E. Curran, a well-known magazine publisher, caused a great shock among his friends he had made for himself in Edmonton during his visit there. It is less than a month since he was in the city last.

At Montreal last week, Mr. Grey unveiled the monument which has been erected to the Hon. John Young, the pioneer of the development of the city of Montreal. The family was represented by Mr. and Mrs. John Young and Miss Young. The inclement weather prevented the attendance of the aged widow of the man whose memory was being honored. Mr. Campbell Young of Edmonton and Mr. Harrison Young were among the sons.

The party of Edmonton who visited Calgary during the week for the opening of the country club there were enthusiastic over the kindness that was shown them. They comprised Mr. Nightingale, Mr. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hunter, and Messrs. Bow, Bissett and Wallman. Mr. Nightingale succeeded in the finals in the ladies' event, being defeated by Miss Downey. The final tournament was Mr. Macdonald of McLeod. Mr. Wallman succeeded in defeating Mr. of Calgary, only to meet in the finals against Mr. Macdonald, play being carried to the green. Dr. Cobbett had previously given Mr. Macdonald a hard match, only losing the last green. Mr. Hunter was not in form till the last tournament when he succeeded in equalling the record of the course, making it in 37.

Friends of Postmaster Macdonald regret to learn that he has been confined to his home with a

fever contracted while on his vacation. He is now making satisfactory progress towards recovery, however.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Fisher are now the proud possessors of a little daughter, who is in grave danger of being spoiled, seeing she will be the only sister to four sturdy young brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hyndman are rejoicing in the birth of a little son, who arrived early in the week.

Miss Hyndman, aunt of the bride, went down to Winnipeg for the marriage last week of Miss Kathleen McDonald to Mr. Vivian McDonald. Mr. John A. Rogers of Edmonton acted as best man.

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Mrs. H. E. Hardisty, McKay Ave., received on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 7th, for the first time since coming to Edmonton. The hostess who was gowned in black satin and jet, was assisted in receiving by her daughter, Miss Hardisty, who looked very pretty in a pale blue gown of paillette and dewdrop net. She was also assisted by her niece, Miss Ruby Muir, of Montreal, who looked charming in cream cologne over satin with trimmings of Irish lace.

The drawing room was prettily decorated with pink carnations, sweet peas, and masses of autumn leaves. The color scheme was

tea-room was crimson, the table looking lovely with cut glass vases filled with deep red roses, and red shaded candles. Mrs. St. Clair Blackett presided over the coffee urn, while Mrs. C. W. Duncan poured tea, and Mrs. G. A. Reid served the ices. Mrs. Talbot looking very sweet in a blue hand embroidered saine silk, assisted by the Misses Norah Armstrong, Bernice Blackett, Agnes Inglis and Muriel Hardisty looked after the comforts of the guests.

Not the least noticeable of the attendants were the two little tots, the Misses Margaret McMillan and Muriel Talbot, in white embroidered frocks, with touches of pink and blue, who attended to the door.

The weather was lovely and everyone was in gay good humor.

STORIES ABOUT LORD KITCHENER

There are some stories, new and old, of Lord Kitchener, told Magazine, by Mr. Sydney Brooks. 'Sunstroke? What the ... does he mean by having sunstroke? is given as the classic instance of his attitude towards weaker vessels. A favorite captain of his was once entrusted with an important commission. There was a delay in executing it, through his horse casting a shoe. 'Very sorry,' was Kitchener's comment, 'but I cannot rest my plan of campaign on a horse's shoe or an officer's carelessness.' He has a grim, iconoclastic humor. 'Keep the gun,' he is said to have wired to the War Office authorities, who were pressing a certain weapon upon him--'I can throw stones myself. To an officer who kept on reporting that as a result of his various brushes with the enemy 'several Boers were seen to fall from

their saddles.' Lord Kitchener sent the polite inquiry: 'I hope when they fell they did not hurt themselves.' 'What is your taste in hairpins?' is said to have been the to report loss of five men through explosion of dynamite, 'was the gist of a telegram from the front put into his hands one day? 'Do you want more dynamite?' was his immediate answer. Men do the impossible at a word from him. 'Twelve hours in which to carry this dispatch? You must do it in six'--and the officer who had asked for the twelve hours did it in five.--Westminster Gazette.

DIED

DARLING--On the 4th inst., May, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hermain Darling, aged 8 years.

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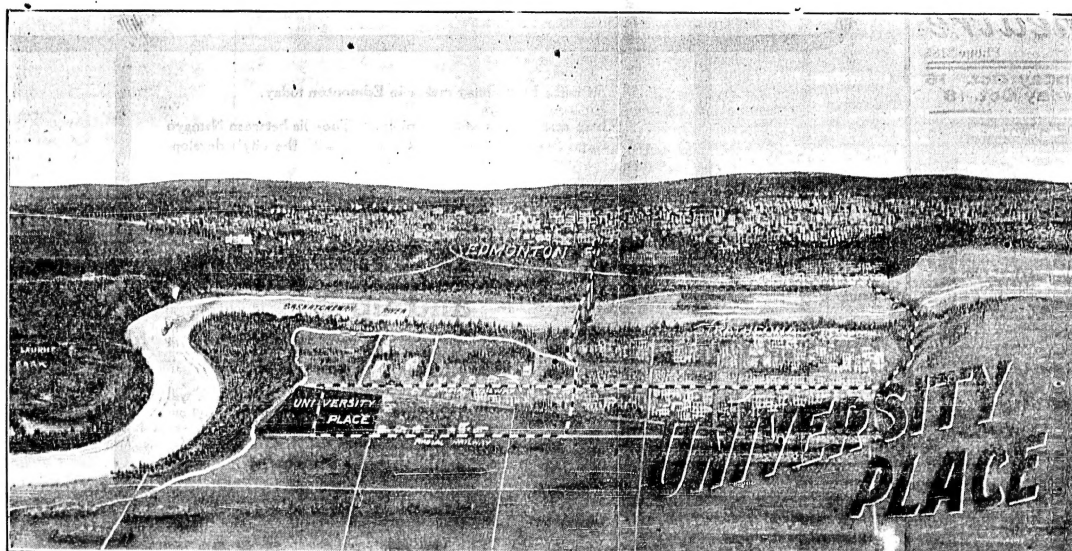


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